



## AL GREEN REPORT

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### SIGN UP FOR HEALTHCARE COVERAGE BEFORE MARCH 31, 2014 DEADLINE

Dear Friends:

I strongly encourage everyone, who has not enrolled, to enroll in a healthcare coverage plan for 2014. Open enrollment in the online Federal Marketplace (healthcare.gov) for healthcare coverage for 2014 will end on March 31, 2014.

Healthcare coverage is essential to the health and economic security

of our community. The extension of affordable coverage to more individuals, especially the underserved, will enhance the health of our community and reduce the burden on emergency rooms.

As the reforms in our healthcare system take effect, we must educate ourselves and our communities about the new options and benefits. As a Member of Congress, I will continue to support legislation, which improves our healthcare system and strengthens our economy.

Sincerely,



Al Green Your Congressman

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#### **DEADLINES AND DATES**

#### **Deadlines and important dates:**

- March 31, 2014: Open enrollment in the Federal Online Marketplace ends for healthcare coverage in 2014.
- You can buy a health plan outside of open enrollment if you qualify for a "special enrollment period." You generally qualify for a special enrollment period of 60 days following certain life events that involve a change in family status (for example, marriage or birth of a child) or loss of other health coverage.
- If you do not enroll by the 2014 deadline, you may be subject to a penalty on your 2015 income taxes

#### 24-Hour Multilingual Technical Assistance:

• **Hotline:** 1-800-318-2596

• For the hearing-impaired (TTY): 1-855-889-4352

Source: Healthcare.gov

#### KEY FACTS

Here is an overview of some key things to know: You have a choice of many quality private health insurance plans:

- Health insurance plans in the Federal Online Marketplace offer comprehensive coverage from doctors to medications to hospital visits.
- The Marketplace enables you to compare your insurance options based on price, coverage, quality, and other features important to you.
- All information on the health plans is in easier-tounderstand language (and multilingual options are available).
- Clear information on plan premiums, deductibles, and out-of-pocket costs are available before you decide to enroll.
- Every health insurance plan in the Marketplace provides coverage for preventive services.

Source: Healthcare.gov